City of Ladue

Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee April 9, 2021 Via Zoom Meetings

Members present

Laure Hullverson, Nancy Ylvisaker, Tom McCarthy, Pat Steiner, Clint Williams

Others present

Director of Public Works Anne Lamitola; City Arborist Sean Seed; Administrative Assistant Ashley Quinn; Steve Wheeler, presenter from Christner Inc. and Laurel Harrington, presenter from Horner & Shifrin.

Chairperson Laure Hullverson called the meeting to order.

Agenda and Minutes Approval

Pat made a motion to approve the agenda for the April 9th meeting and the minutes from the February 19, 2021 meeting, Clint seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the agenda and minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Forum

None

Rodes Park Master Plan - Steve Wheeler and Laurel Harrington, Parks Planning consultants for Rodes Park were in attendance to present the final Master Plan documents that would be presented to City Council. Tom McCarthy shared concerns over the level of staff maintenance and suggested the possibility of volunteer forces, garden club partners, etc. for certain parts of the ongoing maintenance. Anne stated that maintenance by Parks staff would be looked at once we have an idea of how the project would be phased out. Bank Stabilization is a key component of the Master Plan before other areas are implemented.

Steve and Laurel shared the presentation with BOSTA Committee members for any last-minute changes or input prior to the City Council approval.

Arbor Day- Discussion ensued regarding the upcoming Arbor Day celebration on April 24th. Ashley would amend the flyer to list only one location for activities. The tree would be planted prior to Arbor Day due to weather concerns. Other coordination was finalized between committee and staff.

Project Updates

Private Club Honeysuckle letters – Committee members provided an update on any correspondence between the private clubs. It was also suggested reaching out to Carmelite about their recent removal of honeysuckle along Clayton Rd. And if there were plans for replanting the area.

The Living legacy policy was discussed. Staff would work on the policy documents for Committee input. The policy is a critical piece of the program so that clear intent is outlined for ease of implementation in the future.

Discussion took place regarding new planters for Clayton and Ladue Road in accordance with the 2014 Master Plan.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 4th, time TBD.

Laure made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Nancy Ylvisaker. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am.

Laure Hullverson, Chairperson